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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

DE 103 00 156 A1	See attached English abstract.
DE 102 56 436 A1	See attached English abstract.
DE 102 15 787 A1	See attached English abstract.
DE 102 44 220 A1	See attached English abstract.
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OTHER DOCUMENTS

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